

News and Citizen

MORRISVILLE AND HYDE PARK

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"Fifty-nine dead and sixty-six wounded." No, this is not a war office report; just a summary made by a Chicago paper at the close of the hunting season in eighteen States.

Government agents estimate that \$27,000,000 has been spent by German propagandists in this country since the war began. The Boy-Eds and the von Papens have at least put a good deal of cash into circulation.

The Panama-Pacific Exposition closed last Saturday. It was opened 288 days and more than eighteen millions persons visited it. It was a wonderful enterprise, but the most remarkable part of it is that it actually made a profit.

Col. Roosevelt criticizes William Howard Taft as a "peace prattler." Secretary of War Garrison declares Mr. Taft reckless, unfair and incorrect in his condemnation of Democratic rule in the Philippines. Things appear to be coming Mr. Taft's way.

Wellington Smith has severed his connection with the Advance as business manager and intimates that about January 1st he will publish "a new state-wide weekly newspaper." Wellington, you show wisdom in some respects, but don't spoil it by embarking in any "state-wide" ventures.

Canada with ten millions of people has raised a war loan of \$100,000,000. The Dominion is creating an army of 250,000 for over seas service and is supplying vast quantities of munitions. In men, money and munitions, Canada has done wonders in supporting the mother country at a time when she needs help.

The Advance of last week publishes a list of the state funds paid out during six days of November last. The smallest sum was \$9.65, to one individual for cattle killed, and the largest \$68,870.68, to Town Superintendents. We presume this latter amount is for one month's salary. It would seem that some parts of our educational department comes rather high.

Henry Ford, he of automobile fame, is seeking notoriety in another direction by going to Europe on a special mission to bring about an end of the war in the east. He has taken a party of 175 with him and will bear all the expenses. He hopes to "have the soldiers out of the trenches by Christmas." To the ordinary person this excursion appears to be none other than a grotesque one and it is difficult to see how it will produce other than ridicule. Had Mr. Ford loaded his ship with food and clothing for the destitute Poles and Belgians and with Christmas presents for the soldiers in the trenches who are defending their countries against the marauders who covet them and who are seeking to make a conquest of them, he would have done something that would get him great honor. Such a project would have brought to him praise instead of ridicule.

The New York World has been interviewing public men as to their opinion regarding what action should be taken for "preparedness" by this nation. About all of them are of the same mind, which is that the action should be non-partisan and that "preparedness" is the paramount issue of the day and that in its consideration by Congress partisanship should be put aside and the plans for national defense be studied and acted upon from the broad view-point of American citizenship. Gov. Gates says:—

The question of national preparedness is the greatest problem that now confronts us, and our representatives at Washington, Democrat or Republican, Progressive or non-partisan, should realize it and act without party prejudice and with but the ultimate good of all in view.

Bad Year for Kings

Aged King Peter of Serbia, his armies shattered and his country in the hands of the invader, joins the gallant King Albert of Belgium in exile. Both are monarchs without a country or throne. They have sacrificed everything but honor and both are stronger now in the affections of their people than ever. The war has had a depressing effect upon the king business and more of them will be out of a job before the conflict ends and if some of them do not lose their heads as well as their thrones, they will be lucky.

A Remarkable Woman

Says the Swanton Courier:—Helen M. Winslow, club woman and author, is a woman of national renown. A natural leader of her sex with homely ideas and a love for everything that is good. Miss Winslow has been a successful newspaper woman and is the author of several books and poems, but her chief claim to fame comes through her earnest work among the club women of America. She is one with superior mental attainments. Many of our readers may not know that Miss Winslow started her career as Western Union operator in Swanton, and we would add to this that for several years Miss Winslow filled a like capacity in Johnson and while there was the correspondent of the News and Citizen, filling that position to the satisfaction of everybody.

LAMOILLE COUNTY COURT

Lamoille County Court opened in due and ancient form at ten o'clock Tuesday morning, Judge F. L. Fish presiding, ably supported by Judges J. S. Leach and H. A. Jackson. S. B. Waite was at the Clerk's desk and Sheriff Townin his dock, while in the lawyers' seats were Messrs. Hulburd, Fleetwood, Maurice, Cheney, Tracy and H. M. McFarland, of the Lamoille county bar. With them were Messrs. Bullard of Burlington, Redmond of Newport, Martin of Essex Junction and Stewart of Milton. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. D. Cranmer of Morrisville, after which court was officially opened by Sheriff Townin. The docket was then gone through and many of the cases therein were disposed of either by settlement or continuance. Of the eight cases set for trial by jury half of them were announced as settled or continued.

What will probably be the most important cases for trial are those of Geo. E. White of Montpelier v. Lizzie A. White of Hyde Park. One is an appeal from probate court and the other grows out of the settlement of his father's estate. Mrs. White is the plaintiff's stepmother and the widow of Judge E. C. White, long time probate judge of this county. These cases will be taken up later, being continued because of the illness of Mr. White.

Another important case which is set for trial Monday, Dec. 20, at 2 o'clock, is that of in re Roscoe S. Fuller's will, Gailon Stinson and L. R. Stinson proponents, R. H. Fuller contestant. This is an appeal from probate court. In this case the proponents claim that Roscoe Fuller, who died in 1906, left a will, leaving about half of the property to the Stinsons, who were not related except by marriage, and seek to prove the will by a claimed copy. The existence of a will at the time of Fuller's death is denied by the contestant. This case will be tried by a "struck jury" and twelve will be selected from the following: J. O. Thomas, Belvidere; H. W. Varnum, F. M. Willey, M. D. Young, Cambridge; N. B. Mower, W. J. Atwell, Eden; H. L. Delano, Elmore; D. A. Barrows, N. A. Waterman, Johnson; J. C. Herrick, C. L. Gates, A. G. Small, C. H. Slocum, Morrisville; A. A. Pike, O. E. Luce, M. C. Lovejoy, J. C. Benson, F. E. Smith, H. E. Shaw, Stowe; O. G. Houghton, Waterville; R. M. Hubbell, H. I. Randall, A. L. Bruce, J. N. Colegrove, Wolcott.

At two o'clock in the afternoon the petit jurors were called and all but three responded to their names. Judge Fish addressed them on their duties in a clear and forceful manner, after which they were excused until Wednesday a. m. Indications are that the term will not be of any great length.

None of the civil cases being ready for trial, the state cases were taken up first, and Wednesday morning that of state v. Horace Woodmansee of North Wolcott was taken up. The resp't charged with rape upon Edith Wilkins, a young girl. The jury is: L. A. Gould, O. N. Campbell, H. L. Moulton, A. C. Munson, A. B. Weeks, E. B. Collins, G. R. Currier, O. H. Adams, W. S. Daniels, N. B. Lapoint, E. P. Sweet, L. S. Gile. M. P. Maurice represents the State; Fleetwood and Redmond the respondent.

Court Notes

Mrs. F. L. Laird again acts as official stenographer.

There are some good looking men in the petit jury collection.

The "libel" case of M. P. Maurice v. Lamoille Pub. Co. is continued.

Judge Jackson, who has just returned from his wedding trip, was the recipient of numerous and hearty congratulations. Deputies "Bunch" Brown, "Deacon" Jones, J. T. Stevens, H. L. Stevens, C. W. Potter, J. S. Emery and W. M. Smith were on hand at the opening.

Sheriff Townin usually stays at Hyde Park during court, but Tuesday morning he left his grip on the train and had to go home that evening to get his night-shirt.

The State's Attorney's calendar has the following cases on for trial: State v. Horace Woodmansee, State v. Archie Stoddard, State v. A. D. Peck, State v. Ezra Peters.

The genial Judge Jackson hasn't as yet seen any reason why he should change his name, notwithstanding he has been a dealer in horses for forty years. However he does object to being called Judge "Parker," as was done "exclusively" in the Morrisville Messenger this week.

Sheriff Townin, who has just returned from a trip to the Pacific coast, took in a court or two when away and found that courts out there move along about the same as they do here. He looked far and near for a better lot of associates than he has and found that his group exceeded anything he saw out there, either in good looks or proficency.

Messengers of Service

The annual sale of Red Cross stamps should receive encouragement and support. The small seal is a messenger of good cheer and service to humanity and has been the instrumentality of saving the lives of many who otherwise would have found no escape from the great white plague. Every seal helps a little and in the aggregate the sale of the seals adds materially in bringing about that day when this terrible scourge shall have been utterly vanquished.

Bohemians Like Fountain Pen.

Fountain pens are most popular in Bohemia and are carried by practically all business men, students and clerks.

Appeal for Belgian Aid

Continued distress in Belgium necessitates continuation of relief from this country in the way of food and clothing. The State Society for relief in Belgium is making a general canvass for money and new clothing in behalf of these needy people and has asked the churches of the State to co-operate, selecting

Sunday, December 12th,

as the day on which contributions may be received by the churches for the above purpose.

I therefore recommend that special effort be made on the part of the people of Vermont with the end in view that Vermont may abundantly do her part in relieving this suffering humanity.

Funds may be sent to Mr. H. T. Rutter, treasurer, and clothing may be sent to Mrs. Joseph Auld, Burlington, Vermont. Dated at Montpelier this 4th day of December A. D. 1915.

CHARLES W. GATES, Governor.

Our Zone of War

One hundred lives approximately have been lost in mysterious American munition plant fires and explosions since the European war began. The loss of property has been enormous. The making of powder and high explosive is, of course, hazardous, but the frequency of such disasters invite the suspicion that all of them are not accidents. A little more preparedness in watching alien conspirators, firebugs and dynamiters might materially reduce the number of these mysterious mishaps.

Has Been a Candidate

Says the Springfield Reporter:—

The Morrisville Messenger says that Frederick G. Fleetwood of that place is not, and will not be a candidate for Governor. All right, that's his privilege. The same paper also says that "had he been a candidate in the common acceptance of the term, he might have been governor long ago", and further says that the "nomination has never appealed to him very strongly and the governmental bee has not troubled him."

Is not the Messenger napping when it declares that the nomination has "never" appealed to him very strongly? Did it not appeal so strongly a few years ago that he toured the state again and again interviewing old friends and seeking to make new ones in the interest of his candidacy? And was it not an open question as to whether he or Dr. Mead would get the nomination, until the last minute?

The writer of this note worked for Fleetwood and voted for delegates committed to his candidacy, and did this with the full knowledge of the man whom the Messenger now says "has never been a candidate in the common acceptance of the term." But Brother Thayer may not have been in Morrisville at that time, and so may not have known all that was doing in the gubernatorial line in that neck of woods.

Deer Slaughter Totals Over 5111

The 1915 open season for deer closed at sundown Saturday evening and up to Dec. 5, State Commissioner John W. Titcomb had received reports of 5111 deer killed. The commissioner stated that he would not have complete returns until the middle or latter part of the week and he estimated that the total number would probably exceed 5500. The largest number taken in any previous season was 4697 in 1909, a year when the taking of both bucks and does were lawful.

The deer reported killed this season have almost been equally divided between does and bucks.

Commissioner Titcomb stated Saturday evening that he had received telephone calls from all sections of the state inquiring as to whether hunting would be permitted on Monday. The law fixes the open season for deer from November 15 to Dec. 5, inclusive, and as the final day fell on Sunday, when hunting is not permitted, many people believed an extra day would be allowed. This is not the case, however, the season having closed Saturday night.

East Cambridge

Miss Welch of Fairfax is working for Mrs. F. E. Putnam.

Miss Nettie Leach returned to St. Albans Tuesday morning after spending Thanksgiving week at A. D. Rogg's.

George and Alden Manchester were the successful deer hunters the past week. This brings the number to seven which were shot near by.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wilcox, after spending some time with her brother, G. E. Sheldon and family, returned Thursday to their home in North Bangor, N. Y.

Arthur Thompson was in West Farnham, P. Q. last week to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Johnson, whose body was brought back from Bala, Kansas.

N. J. Nye was called to Jeffersonville Tuesday to care for his brother, Henry, who has been seriously ill at the home of Mrs. L. L. Wilcox. Mr. Nye was able to return home Saturday, leaving his brother on the gain.

For some reason best known to himself, State's Attorney M. P. Maurice of Lamoille County has notified the clerk of the Lamoille county court that the libel suit against the Lamoille Publishing Company, (L. H. Lewis) will not be set for trial at the December term of county court. Better drop it from the calendar, Maurice.—Fair Haven Era

NORTH HYDE PARK

Miss Alice Manning is working for Mrs. C. M. Griswold.

Remember the dance at Valley Hall, Friday evening, Dec. 10.

F. L. Kneeland is renewing his youth and is "courting" this week.

Ernest Page was fortunate enough to get a good deer the last day of the hunting season.

Earl Morrill of Morrisville has been a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gates.

P. A. Parrin, local game warden, has had 45 deer reported to him as killed during the recent hunting period.

A large flock of wild geese passed over the village Monday afternoon. There were four distinct harrow formations in the flock.

Mrs. Leslie Hayford of Watertown, South Dakota, was a recent guest at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Newton and Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Newton.

The Christian Endeavor meeting next Thursday evening will be led by Frank Kneeland. It will be a consecration meeting and the topic is: Golden From the the Prayer Life.

At the weekly spell-down last Friday afternoon the following pupils won the honors:—Roger Newton, Grade 5; Vivian Haselton, Grade 6; Buell Westover, Grade 7; Dorothy Richardson, Grade 9.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Story moved from the rooms in Mrs. Ellen Masure's house, which they have occupied for the past few months, and are now pleasantly located in rooms at F. L. Kneeland's.

Joseph Burnette attended the funeral of Felix Wells which, was held at Stowe last Friday afternoon. Mr. Burnette learned his trade as blacksmith of Mr. Wells and was an intimate friend.

At the meeting of the Boy Scouts last Wednesday evening seven candidates were successful in passing the examination at which the Council presided. There are several more boys preparing for the examinations.

Gibson Valley Grange held a well attended meeting Saturday evening. The program prepared by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Davis was carried out and was very interesting. For the next meeting a Christmas program is being planned and will be in charge of Mrs. Adah Holbrook and Mrs. C. B. Story. This will be an excellent program and every member should be present to enjoy it.

The Mite Society will hold a business meeting and serve a supper Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Baker. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance of members as there is important business to discuss, also that there will be a good number come in for supper. The ladies are in need of little encouragement from the public at this time, owing to difficulties under which they have been working lately.

An Extension School in Agriculture and Home Economics will be held in Valley Hall beginning Dec 20th and lasting for five days. Gibson Valley Grange will co-operate with the Vermont Agricultural Extension Service in this school.

A committee consisting of three ladies and three gentlemen were appointed Saturday night to assist in the arrangements. The following are on the committee: C. M. Griswold, D. S. McAllister, R. W. Crocker, Mrs. Maude Hogaboom, Mrs. Sybil Beardsly and Mrs. Clara Newton. Program for the whole five days will be printed soon, but in the mean time we hope everybody will be planning their time and work so as to attend as much of the school as possible.

McKinstry Hill

Harry Bowen killed a nice buck Saturday.

Miss Myrtle Bowen is teaching school in Stowe.

Miss Shirley Jones did not return to the L. C. A. Monday on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Patnode were guests of Geo. Jewett's people Sunday.

Roger Bedell who has been working in Stowe the past season is expected home Monday.

Garfield Road

Bennett Clark of Wolcott was a business visitor in this place Tuesday.

Mrs. Elmer Jones and children were guests at Wm. Gibbs' a few days the past week.

Mrs. T. H. Daniels and Mrs. Frank Darling were visitors at Fred Jackson's the first of the week.

C. E. Brigham returned from Burlington Monday and reports Mrs. Brigham recovering nicely from her operation.

Harry Stowell, who has employment in Rutland, was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Stowell, the first of the week.

Cadys Falls

A. H. Calkins and wife were visitors at Geo. Town's last Sunday.

E. K. Seaver and A. H. Calkins are attending court, having been drawn as jurymen.

Joseph Parker of Burlington has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Will Hicks, the past week.

Elbridge Worden, who has been in a critical condition the past week, died Monday night. The funeral will be held at the house Thursday at 1 p. m.

Potted Plants.

When potted plants put a piece of coarse muslin over the hole in the pot before putting in the bits of stone and soil, which keeps the drainage good. The muslin prevents the earth from washing away.



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TO ALL MEN GREETINGS.

Again the months that make the year stretch their allotted goal, and here, in all his wintry panoply, Gay Christmas bids grim sorrow flee. Happy are they who hear the voice 'Tis that bids this dull old world rejoice.

Men are too solemn nowadays, Each far too busy 'long the ways. Reputed best for growing rich, Regardless of the "how" and "which." You'd better far forget yourself.

Choose other goals than place or pelf, Hold out a bravely helping hand, Ring in more kindness in the land. Insist on giving folks a chance, Shake off the bonds of circumstance. Take each hour as it comes and so Make all things merry as you go. A season such as this should be Sure preface to felicity.

To one and all we voice the wish Of plenty in the drawer and dish.

And, happy hearts and minds at ease, Let discord and discontent cease; Let one and all know only peace. —Warwick James Price in Leslie's.

Christmas Pudding.

One tablespoonful of butter stirred with two tablespoonfuls of brown sugar until creamy; then add one cupful of sifted flour, to which add one and one-half level teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Add one cupful of milk and one cupful of day old breadcrumbs crumbled very fine. Stir in half a cupful of seeded raisins and dried currants, one-fourth cupful of broken or chopped walnut meats, the grated rind of one lemon and a little grated nutmeg. Pour into a fancy mold and steam four hours. If the mold has a tube in the center the hole thus made in the pudding can hold half an egg shell in which the alcohol to burn may be placed, or it can be used to hold a few sprigs of holly. Serve with a liquid sauce.

What They Ate at Christmas in the Olden Time.

They served up salmon, venison and wild boars By hundreds and by dozens and by scores. Hogchests of honey, kidderkins of mustard, Muttons and fatted beeves and bacon swine. Herons and bitterns, peacocks, swan and Teal, mallard, pigeons, widgeons and, in fine, Plum pudding, pancakes, apple pies and custard. And therewithal they drank good Gascon wine, With mead and ale and cider of our own. For porter, punch and negus were not known.

Curious Old Watch.

An old French watch, square in shape, which is so arranged that every step of the owner helps to keep the spring tightened, is the property of a man living in San Diego, Cal. This watch is described in the World's Advance, as the only watch in the world that winds itself. It keeps perfectly accurate time, and has worn out several good cases in its day. A key is provided for the watch, to be used when the owner is ill or unable to walk about.

Distinction of Little Worth.

The gray wolf's distinction is that his scalp is worth five dollars, while that of the coyote brings only one dollar. Most of the distinctions are as worthless to those who hold them as the bounty on his scalp is to the gray wolf.

STATE NEWS

It is expected that at least 30 carloads of Christmas trees will be shipped from Greensboro Bend between now and Christmas.

W. A. Holbrook, mail carrier on rural free delivery route No. 3, Swanton, has registered 3,550 miles on his bicycle since June 1.

The steam mill of Edward Shuler of Colton brook, about eight miles from Waterbury village, was burned Wednesday night, December 1. The mill had been used through the day, but little lumber was destroyed. The mill was insured.

Janie C. Burt, of Burlington, a merchant, doing business under the name, Burt & Co., has filed a petition in bankruptcy. She gives her liabilities as \$7,270 and her assets at \$7,412.12, with \$5,400 claimed exempt. There are 48 creditors.

N. P. Wheeler of the Junction house in White River Junction has an even 50 bushels of yellow-eye beans which he raised on his lately purchased Lyman farm, just above the Hartford station of the Central Vermont road. The yield to the acre planted was 15 bushels. When F. M. Gould, a Burlington Church street merchant whose home is at 509 Shelburne road, opened a letter from the Curtis Publishing Co., of Philadelphia, recently, he read: "We take pleasure in enclosing a check for \$300, the first prize award in the house contest of Journal designs."

Garfield

H. D. Peck of Cabot was a business visitor in this place last Friday.

Mrs. Aletta Davis returned Saturday from Morrinstown and is now assisting at the home of Ashton Mudgett.

The item last week regarding Arthur Trescott should have said he had gone to New Jersey, instead of New York.

Among the fortunate deer hunters recently heard from are: Aldis Darling, Max Emerson and Fred and Leon Jackson. Each shot one the last day of the hunting season.

A letter recently received by relatives of Mrs. Chas. Davis, who is now in St. Johnsbury, states that she is now caring for a little daughter that came to the home of Ellsworth Twombly and wife Dec. 2d. Mother and child are doing well.

A Piano for \$247

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Daily Thought.

We all of us exercise unconscious ministries. When we never dream we are affecting anybody we are touching and turning others all the time.—G. H. Morrison, D. D.